

HOME TOWN Helps

TOWNS THAT MAKE MONEY

San Diegos Expect to Be on Municipal Easy Street Through Exercise of Scientific Forestry.

San Diego, Cal., is said to be the first American city to take up scientific forestry as a municipal enterprise. The city owns 7,000 acres of waste land, a heritage from the time when it was a Mexican pueblo. This tract is now set aside for growing eucalypti, and last spring 40,000 seedlings were planted.

Eucalyptus is very valuable and takes the place of many of the more familiar hardwoods that are becoming so expensive; it grows with truly tropical rapidity; it will stand an enormous amount of cutting and seems to thrive under it, and a grove once well started apparently will last forever.

In San Diego, says the Survey, the more optimistic taxpayers are looking forward to a time when the forest will relieve them of all taxes and perhaps even pay them for being citizens of San Diego! They are not the only people in an American city to be congratulated on doing good municipal business.

July 6, 1911, the Detroit house of correction passed its fiftieth milestone. During the last 32 years over \$1,000,000 in profits were turned over to the city of Detroit to the families of prisoners and to the prisoners themselves. Since 1880 the city of Detroit has annually received sums ranging from \$9,016.83 to \$52,711.64.

The original expenditure by the city of \$189,841.36 has been turned back into the treasury of the municipality, the institution has paid its own way and in the 50 years show a fine balance of \$1,254,178.15. In addition to this showing, the prisoners since July, 1901, have been receiving financial benefits ranging from \$5,958.14 to \$9,670.38 annually.

In addition to amounts paid the prisoners, some of which are sent by the men to their families, provision is also made for the families of those who are imprisoned on the charge of abandonment. This is accomplished under a statute which provides that \$1.50 a week for the wife and an additional 50 cents for each child under 15 years of age be paid them out of the funds of the institution.

GOOD LESSON FROM GERMANY

There Municipalities Exercise Mild Form of Despotism Over the Owners of Property.

A common exercise of the individual fancy is to decide with a wealth of detail what one would do if one had, say, \$10,000,000, declares the New York Tribune. The movement for "cities beautiful" which the public hears of every now and then resembles this pastime. When Chicago, Pittsburgh, Boston, or whatever city it may be, considers becoming Chicago Beautiful or Pittsburgh Beautiful or Boston Beautiful it is making up its mind what it would do if it had \$10,000,000. There is even a profession of telling cities what they might do if they had \$10,000,000, and the experts are kept fairly busy about it. The Tribune hopes that Brooklyn, the latest to consult one of these experts, will have millions enough to make her as beautiful as she wishes to become. This consulting about what might be done to make American cities more presentable is a good sign in itself. The public is not so content as formerly to trust their development to haphazard. Its result has been bad in respect of beauty, of health and even of business economy. But in determining their own future development American cities are sadly behind those of Europe, where, especially in Germany, municipalities exercise a sort of benevolent despotism over the uses to which the individual property owner may put his property.

Oversea Invasion.

If it takes 35,000 troops almost three weeks to carry out an overseas attack, with no opposition whatever, how long would 200,000 or even 70,000, take in the face of some very dangerous opposition, even if the bulk of the defending fleet is out of the way? Our coastal torpedo flotillas are always on the spot. As far as the events of this (Italian) war afford an indication, we should incur no undue risk if we dispatched our battle fleets in the Cape of Good Hope or Indian ocean, except to our trade routes near home waters. —Contemporary Review.

Got His Words Mixed.

In the recent cold weather a north side groceryman sent a customer's order of groceries carefully wrapped in a gunny sack to insure it against freezing.

Five-year-old George was in the kitchen with his mother when the groceries arrived, and heard her tell the delivery boy it was kind in them to take the extra precaution of wrapping the gunny sack about the things.

A few minutes later little George came running back to the kitchen and inquired, "Oh, mamma, what did you do with that guinea bag?"

Summer Examination of Teachers

The summer examination for white and colored teachers will be held in the Public High School Building, Lexington, Va., WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY, JULY 31ST and AUGUST 1ST and 2ND, beginning promptly at 9 a. m. each day. Examination for Third Year Professional Course will be held on the first day.

The examination on the Reading Course will be held on the third day. It will embrace questions on the books chosen for the year ending June 30, immediately preceding, and on the History of Education. The examination on the Reading Course is for teachers whose certificates expire July 31 and wish to have them renewed. Applicants must supply themselves with pen, ink and paper.

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vs.
S. S. LEECH and others.

IN ROCKBRIDGE CIRCUIT COURT
IN CHANCERY

The undersigned having been directed by decree entered May 21st, 1912 in above styled cause, to take, state, settle and report to the Court, an account of the transactions, receipts and disbursements of the late James A. Moore, as the bonded Commissioner in said cause, together with any matter deemed pertinent by the Master or required by any party to be specially stated, hereby gives notice, that he has fixed

MONDAY, JULY 29TH, 1912

AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M.

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How Rome Was Saved.

"How are you on ancient history?" inquired the Wood street man.

"Fine," declared the sage of Smithfield street. "Ask me anything you want to know."

"I was trying to recall the facts about those geese that cackled and thus saved Rome."

"I remember the episode. You see, Rome was a very rich city in ancient days, filled with gold and precious stones. Some invaders had gathered in hopes of getting big loot."

"I see."

"But when they heard the geese cackling, they thought they'd better grab the geese and let the gold go. The cost of living was just as high then as it is now."

"I comprehend."

"They made off with the geese and thus Rome was saved."—Pittsburgh Post.

Had to Rename His Villa.

The residents of a certain suburb of Chicago were for a time governed by a passion for giving sweet, poetical names to their "estates." There was one such man who built a handsome villa, calling it "The Nutshell."

Thus was the home introduced to his friends, and it became widely known. To the surprise of all, therefore, the name was one day suddenly changed to "Sylvan Nook," and a flood of inquiries soon began to pour in.

"Why have you given your home a new name?" a friend asked. "What was the matter with 'The Nutshell'?"

"I sickened of being joshed about it," said the owner, with a sigh. "There isn't a boy within two miles hereabouts who hasn't stopped and rung the doorbell to ask if the cologne was in."—Lippincott's Magazine.

An increasing number of people report regularly of the satisfaction or results from taking Foley Kidney Pills and commend their healing and curative qualities. Foley Kidney Pills are a carefully prepared medicine, guaranteed to contain no harmful or habit-forming drugs. They can have only a beneficial effect when used for kidney and bladder troubles, for backache, rheumatism, weak back or lumbago. B. H. Gorrell.

Curious Accident.

A most curious accident occurred, recently, in Albany, N. Y., when a motorman lost control of a car going down a hill. When it reached Broad street it left the track, overturned and crashed into a three-story dwelling. Seven passengers and the motorman were injured, though none fatally. The car smashed into a bedroom, where a man, his wife and child were sleeping. They were showered with plaster and broken glass from the window, but were uninjured.

Summer colds are hard to get rid of, and frequently lead to asthma, bronchitis and hay fever. Do not let your cold get a hold on you, but use Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for quick relief. W. H. Allen, Chelsea, Wis., says: "We prefer Foley's Honey and Tar Compound to other cough medicines because it quickly cures coughs and colds. It will ward off a cold if taken in time." Contains no opiates. B. H. Gorrell.

Clumsy Flatterer.

He was a flatterer, but a clumsy one. Noting that the girl of his heart possessed beautiful teeth that shone like ivory, he ventured to pass a compliment.

"Dearest," he whispered, leaning over the music rack, "your teeth are like piano keys."

Freezing him with an icy glare, she turned on her heel. "Sir, how dare you insult me?"

"Insult you?"

"Yes, insinuate that my teeth are as large as piano keys." And without another word she left the parlor, leaving him crestfallen and bewildered.

In these days of high cost of living, a medicine that gets a man up out of bed and able to work in a few days is a valuable and welcome remedy. John Heath, Michigan Bar, Cal., had kidney and bladder trouble, was confined to his bed, unable to turn without help. "I commenced using Foley Kidney Pills and can truly say I was relieved at once." His example is worth following. B. H. Gorrell.

Peeling Oranges.

Four boiling water on oranges and let them stand in it five minutes. Then when you peel them you will find the bitter and indigestible white lining will come off clean with the skin. This enables you to easily slice and chill them for breakfast.

A. M. Nason, farming near Canaan, N. C., was badly crippled with acute rheumatism due, he says, to uric acid in his blood. "Foley Kidney Pills entirely cured me and also removed numerous black specks that were continually before my eyes." Foley Kidney Pills are a uric acid solvent and are effective for the various forms of rheumatism. B. H. Gorrell.

Worth the Money.

"She had him arrested for kissing her forcibly, and he was fined \$200." "Yet they are good friends now." "Yes," he announced in open court that it was worth the money.—Washington Herald.

N. J. Gorbam, Cashier Bank of Woodville, Woodville, Ga., had a very severe attack of kidney trouble, and the pains in his kidneys and back were terrible. "I got a bottle of Foley Kidney Pills from our druggist and they entirely relieved me. I have more benefit from them than any other medicine." E. H. Gorrell.

Making Peanuts Digestible.

Some people cannot eat peanuts because of difficulty in digesting them. If they take a half-spoonful of salt in a little water after eating peanuts no trouble of any kind will be experienced.

George L. Higbie, Manton, Mich., used Foley Kidney Pills for kidney and bladder trouble. He says: "I find for my case no other medicine equals Foley Kidney Pills for beneficial effect." They are a safe and reliable medicine for kidney trouble and rheumatism. Contains no harmful drugs. B. H. Gorrell.

He Is Truly Great.

It is easy in this world to live after the world's opinion; it is easy in solitude to live after one's own; but the great man is he who in the midst of the crowd keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitude.—Emerson.

Regulates the bowels, promotes easy natural movements, cures constipation.—Doan's Regulators. Ask your Druggist for them. 25c. a box.

He Cannot Be Found.

"I have known many cautious and persevering men," said the Office Clerk, "but I have never known one who was so cautious and persevering that he took the time to read all the fine print in a lease."

Impure blood runs you down—makes you an easy victim for organic diseases. Burdock Blood-Bitters purifies the blood—cures the cause—builds you up.

Feminine Trick.

The girl who tells you she thinks no man is good enough for any woman is merely trying to goad you into an attempt to convince her that she is wrong.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Baby won't suffer five minutes with colic if you apply Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil at once. It acts like magic.

One Sort of Philosophy.

"Mother, did you learn to cook before you got married?" "I did not. I married first. There's no use learning a trade until you know you're going to need it."—Detroit Free Press.

Uncle Pennywise Says:

Style changes. In the old days a murderer always ate a hearty breakfast of ham and eggs just before going to the gallows, but now he smokes a cigarette.

Example of Jeweler's Skill.

A skillful French jeweler has made a perfect watch and set it inside a pearl but a little more than half an inch in diameter.

Way of College Men.

Where a college man's heart is, there will his frat pin be also.—Lippincott's Magazine.

Soon.

Money talks, but the world soon gets a poor opinion of the man who lets his money do all the talking.

Pennsylvania Tobacco.

Pennsylvania tobacco fields yield 1,100 pounds to the acre, not the top of the list of the states by any means.

A Girl's Wild Midnight Ride

To ward people of a fearful forest fire in the Catskills a young girl rode home at midnight and saved many lives. Her deed was glorious but lives are often saved by Dr. King's New Discovery in curing lung trouble, coughs and colds, which might have ended in consumption or pneumonia. "It cured me of a dreadful cough and lung disease," writes W. R. Patterson, Wellington, Tex., "after four in our family had died with consumption, and I gained 87 pounds." Nothing so sure and safe for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by B. H. Gorrell.

Blackbirds' Courage.

At Heriot Gardens, a new and pretty suburb of Burntisland, a cat upon a garden wall was about to pounce upon a female blackbird sitting on her nest of eggs, when her mate, which was on the watch, sounded the alarm.

Acting together, both set upon the cat with a vigor that hustled it off the wall into a neighboring garden. The birds pursued it along the path, keeping at close quarters till it escaped under cover. Victory was complete, and the enemy has not approached the place since.—London Globe.

A Hero in a Light House

For years J. S. Donahue, So. Haven, Conn., a Civil War captain, as a light-house keeper, averted awful wrecks but a queer fact is, he might have been wrecked himself if Electric Bitters had not prevented. "They cured me of kidney trouble and chills," he writes, "after I had taken other so-called cures for years without benefit, and they also improved my sight. Now, at seventy, I am feeling fine." For dyspepsia, indigestion, all stomach, liver and kidney troubles, they're without equal. Try them. Only 50 cts. at B. H. Gorrell's.

Work for Each.

No one of my fellows can do that special work for me which I have come into the world to do; he may do a higher work, but he cannot do my work. I cannot hand over my work to him, any more than I can hand over my responsibilities or my gifts. I must do . . . my work. I may do little or I may do much. That matters not. It must be my own work.—Ruskin.

Frightful Polar Winds

blow with terrific force at the far north and play havoc with the skin, causing red, rough or sore, chapped hands and lips, that need Puckler's Arnica Salve to heal them. It makes the skin soft and smooth. Unrivaled for cold sores, also burns, boils, sores, ulcers, cuts, bruises and piles. Only 25 cents at B. H. Gorrell's.

Continental Europe and Texas.

The British Isles belong, of course, to that part of the world known as Europe, but the term "Continental Europe" is used to denote the continent itself exclusive of the islands. The area of Europe is 3,754,282 square miles; that of the state of Texas is 257,780 square miles.

\$100 per Plate

was paid at a banquet to Henry Clay in New Orleans in 1842. Mighty costly for those with stomach trouble or indigestion. Today people everywhere use Dr. King's New Life Pills for these troubles as well as liver, kidney and bowel disorders. Easy, safe sure. Only 25 cts at B. H. Gorrell's.

Forests of Scotland.

Scotland contains a considerable number of well preserved and imposing forests, cared for and protected for centuries. One of these forests contains more than 5,000 acres, with many trees more than three feet in diameter.

"Doan's Ointment cured me of eczema that had annoyed me for a long time. The cure was permanent."—Hon. S. W. Matthews, Commissioner Labor Statistics, Augusta, Me.

Which Do You See?

The pessimist sees the thorns on the roses. The optimist sees the roses on the thorns.—Judge.

BEST AND HEALTH TO MOTHER AND CHILD. MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over SIXTY YEARS BY MILLIONS OF MOTHERS FOR THEIR CHILDREN WHILE THEYING WITH PERFECT SUCCESS. IT SOOTHES THE CHILD, SOFTENS THE GUMS, ALLAYS ALL PAIN; CURES WIND COLIC, AND IS THE BEST REMEDY FOR DIARRHOGA. It is absolutely harmless. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

PROPER SELECTION OF BROOD SOW FOR PRODUCTION OF PORK

Regardless of Breed, Animal Should Possess Certain Definite Characteristics Typifying Combination of Good Breeding With Individual Excellence—Hints for Summer Care.



A Berkshire Champion.

(By R. G. WEATHERSTONE.)

The brood sow is the unit of pork production. Regardless of her breed she should have certain definite characteristics typifying a happy combination of good breeding with individual excellence. The easiest and most expensive method of embarking in the swine breeding business is to purchase two or more pure-bred gilts, safe in pig to unrelated sires, to be used as foundation stock. Selection of the best females from their progeny and mating them to a useful growthy quality male will establish within a very short time a high-class herd. In selecting a sow for breeding purposes the following points should be emphasized:

1. The gilt should be pure bred; a typical utility representative of her breed.

2. Should trace to a large, even litter, farrowed by a kindly disposed, heavy milking dam that displays vigor, quality and symmetry.

3. She should evidence early maturity; possess a clean, shapely head, large, bright eyes, heavy paws, light jaw, neat ears, short neck; have a long, straight, strong back, broad, meaty loin, smooth, compact shoulders, deep, well arched sides; even width, plump, shapely hams, a neat trim underline, dotted with many evenly placed rudimentaries; short, straight legs, with clean, dense bone; stand upright on strong, well supported pasterns, and exhibit style and finish throughout.

4. She should be a pasture product rather than pen-fed, chubby pet.

5. She should possess quality; be in a vigorous growthy condition, free from wrinkles, and giving promise of development of flesh in region of valuable cuts, thus yielding a higher dressing percentage of edible pork.

In order that we may take proper care of the young pigs it is necessary that we know about what time to expect them.

I have made it a rule to keep a record of the date on which the sows are bred.

By reference to my record I find that my sows farrow from the one hundred and twelfth to the one hundred and fifteenth day from breeding. Some claim that an old sow will go

longer than a young sow, but I bred a yearling sow, a two-year-old, and a six-year-old sow all on the same date. These three sows all farrowed on the same day.

I like for my sows to be into a thriving condition when the pigs are farrowed. In fact, I like for them to improve in flesh during the entire period of gestation.

Some people are afraid of getting their sows too fat, and I suppose that they can be made too fat, but they ought to be in good flesh. They should have a surplus laid up for the suckling of the young pigs, because it is hard to keep a sow from going down in flesh rapidly while the pigs have to depend upon her for their food.



Middle White Sow, Walton Rose 69th, First at Royal Show, Liverpool.

The sows are given separate lots, with a good shelter, close, warm house, if the weather is cool, about a week before they are due to farrow.

The sows are fed sparingly for a few days after farrowing, then gradually brought up to a full ration.

It has always been hard for me to keep from feeding the sow too much while the pigs are young, and as a result I have had several cases of scours with the young pigs.

When I find the pigs beginning to scour, I give the sow 15 to 20 drops of laudanum in her feed for a few feeds. Her feed is reduced and this usually checks the scours in a day or so. If I have not any laudanum I have used powdered charcoal with good results.

As soon as the pigs are old enough to eat I give them a separate trough where they can eat without being disturbed by the mother. They are given a mixed feed of middlings, corn meal or other ground feed mixed with water. The sow gets a similar ration. More corn is used in cold weather than if the season is warm.

LITTLE SPARROW PEST DESTROYER

English Bird May Be Used Against Alfalfa Weevil in the West—Experiments Are to Be Made.

The English sparrow, originally imported into this country to destroy insect pests, but known chiefly in recent years as a pest of other birds, may come into its own again, according to the officials of the government biological survey. It has been found that the sparrow is a vigorous enemy of the alfalfa weevil, an evil which threatens to spread throughout the entire alfalfa farming territory of the west as the cotton boll weevil has spread in the south. So far the weevil has appeared only in Utah and part of Wyoming, but a dozen other states, it is said, will be affected within a few years unless a real enemy of the pest is introduced to fight it.

The biological survey is planning to experiment with other birds this summer and will not recommend that the English sparrow be sent into the alfalfa territory unless no other effective enemy of the weevil can be found. The bureau of entomology has received from its agent in Italy a number of parasites which feed on the alfalfa weevil and these will be sent to Utah at once.

Protecting Sheep From Dogs.

A Minnesota farmer says that he keeps dogs away from his flock by putting in his pasture the dummy of a man holding a stick for a gun. This dummy is taken down every morning, and put up again in the evening at different places from night to night. He says a sheep-killing dog will not go near enough to the dummy to discover that it is a bogus man.

Size of Farms.

Our farms are decreasing in size, the average number of acres in farms having decreased from 146 in 1900 to 138 in 1910.

GIVE HERD BULL PLENTY EXERCISE

Important to Keep Animal Strong and Vigorous—Various Ways of Giving Him Needed Work.

It is very important that the bull at the head of a herd be given plenty of exercise, and be fed like a work horse, as in this manner he becomes strong and vigorous, and a sure calf getter.

On the other hand, if a bull be deprived of exercise and the proper kind of feed and becomes indolent, lacking energy, especially breeding energy, he is rendered almost valueless; in fact, he becomes a detriment to a herd, owing to the fact that a breeder is losing valuable time by repeatedly breeding his cows to him without results.

The various ways of exercising a bull might consist in a paddock to run in, a tread power to work in, or being chained up and staked. At any rate, it is important to conceive some manner in which to give the herd bull plenty of daily exercise, as the results of good feed and plenty of exercise may be plainly noticeable in the offspring.

The New Way.

This is the modern idea of cow management—to first have a cow of largest possible dairy capacity, know what her capacity to convert food into milk is, and feed up to the capacity and no more. In your herd that you are feeding all alike it may be possible that two cows of limited capacity are wasting food that one may be in need of to do her best work. Are you underfeeding good cows and overfeeding poor ones?

Cut Off Diseased Wood.

Diseased wood on a tree can never be made new again. Cut it off and allow another shoot to grow. Every day that such wood remains on a tree adds to the liability of losing it.